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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Y. KOHARA et al.  
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For: MICRO-PARTICLE ARRAY ANALYSIS SYSTEM, MICRO-  
PARTICLE ARRAY KIT, AND CHEMICAL ANALYSIS METHOD  
Group: 1634  
Examiner: R. Crow

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 7, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 7, 2007, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 7, 2007, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.